



**ALDI Inc.**

Statement to Spencer Soper of *The Morning Call*

At ALDI, ensuring the high quality of our products is a top priority and we have protocols in place that cover a wide variety of quality initiatives. When this situation was brought to our attention, we immediately began an investigation. We interviewed the customer and we reached out to our supplier so that they could launch its own examination into what may have happened.

Our current understanding of the situation is that our supplier has requested that the customer share the remaining product so that it may be analyzed by an independent laboratory to determine if there was a foreign material in the product and, if so, what it is and how it may have gotten there. At this time, our understanding is that the customer is still deciding whether or not he wishes to participate in the investigative process.

For more than 30 years, smart shoppers have counted on ALDI for the best in high quality, high value products. Our loyal customers and our continued growth are our greatest testament to our high quality products. We remain committed to ensuring that ALDI is the place people can trust to consistently provide great quality and low prices every single day.